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Price, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—P. ALDER, 11, 12, Oldgate, Lane, Lombard Street, E.C. 4. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Jernhall, Gordon & Gorton, Ludgate Circus, E.C. 4. BATES HANDY & Co., 37, Wallbrook, E.C. 4. SAMUEL DUNN & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street. PARIS.—D. EUROPE.—GALLIER & PAIRY, 20, Rue Lafayette, Paris. NEW YORK.—ANDREW WILK, 21, Park Row. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORTON, Melbourne and Sydney. SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco. SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLE & Co., Square, Singapore. C. HENSEN & Co., Manila. CHINA.—MACAO, MESSRS A. A. DE MELLO & Co., Swatow, Quilich & Co., Amoy, Wilson, Nicholson & Co., Foochow, Hsien & Co., Shanghai. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000.
INSTALLED CAPITAL, 925,765.62
RESERVE FUND, \$2,500,000.
INSTALLED FUND, 938,336.43
\$3,193,336.43

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—Wm. H. REYNOLDS, Esq.
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Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER.
Shanghai, EDWIN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 5 per cent. " "
" 12 " 6 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credit granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Credit granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, August 26, 1883.

Intimations.

FROM this date and during my Absence from the Colony, the Agency will be conducted by Mr. L. MARTIN.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, December 14, 1883.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
IN Accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Canton Insurance Office, Limited, will be held on 1st JANUARY, 1884, at 10 o'clock, at the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, for the purpose of electing a new Board of Directors, and for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Auditors for the year 1883, and for the purpose of receiving the Dividend for the year 1883, and for the purpose of receiving the Transfer Books of the Office will be CLOSED from the 18th to 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.
Hongkong, December 12, 1883.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

QUARANTINE AT EGYPTIAN AND CONTINENTAL PORTS.
ARRANGEMENTS have been made for passing the Company's Steamers through the Suez Canal in QUANTITIES, thus avoiding any detention in Egypt. The Homeward Mail is now being loaded at SUEZ, but the QUANTITIES which are still imposed at this and all other CONTINENTAL PORTS prevents the loading of Passengers, and those travelling by the Company's Steamers are advised to remain on board the Vessel which calls at MANZILLA en route—stopping a few hours only to discharge Cargo—and proceed in her direct to London, thus avoiding all QUANTITIES delays and inconveniences.

The Passage of the Steamers will be accelerated, and they will not call at MANZILLA or GIBRALTAR.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, September 6, 1883.

Intimations.

GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

FROM To-day's Date I have taken over the MANAGEMENT of this Company's Station at Hongkong.

IWAN BERNER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 19, 1883.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd Inst. until the 8th Proximo, both days inclusive.

HENRY R. H. MARTIN, Manager.
Hongkong, December 18, 1883.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.
THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 24th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. BRADLEE SMITH, Secretary.
Hongkong, December 10, 1883.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

BREAKFAST - 8.30 A.M. to 12.30 P.M.
DINNER - 1.00 " 7.30 "

Hongkong, December 17, 1883.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 179.
CHINA SEA.

CHEFOO DISTRICT.

SOUTH-EAST SHANTUNG PROMONTORY LIGHTHOUSE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the LIGHT on the SOUTH-EAST SHANTUNG PROMONTORY was exhibited for the first time at sunset on the 28th ultimo.

The illuminating apparatus is a revolving Dioptric of the First Order, showing 11 white flashes at half minute intervals.

The Lighthouse stands on the south-eastern point of the island known as the South-east Promontory, and the Light, which is elevated 90 feet above the level of the sea, should be visible in clear weather at a distance of 15 1/2 nautical miles.

The tower is round, of iron, 50 feet high, with a total height from its base to the lantern of 77 feet.

The tower is painted in red and white horizontal bands; the keepers' dwellings and the boundary wall are white.

Approximate position—
Latitude 36° 54' 00" N.
Longitude 122° 31' 45" E.

Fog Signal.
A First-class Siren, giving a blast of about 4 seconds, duration at intervals of 15 minutes, will be sounded during thick or foggy weather.

CAUTION.
Regarding the island which forms the South-east Promontory, the China Sea Directory, Vol. III, 1874, p. 463, states that—"Extensive reefs, some detached, border the whole shore, which is one of the most dangerous character and should not be passed at less than a mile, except off the western bluff, not in less than 9 fathoms water."

By Order of the Inspector-General of Customs,
A. M. BISBEE, Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs,
Shanghai, 5th December, 1883.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 180.
CHINA SEA.

FOG SIGNALS AT FISHER ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE AND OTHER STATIONS.

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after the 1st January, 1884, the Fog Signal at FISHER ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE, which at present is two guns with an interval of ten minutes between them, will be two guns with an interval of five minutes between them, and that when the Signal has to be repeated a space of ten minutes will be allowed to elapse between the last gun of one signal and the first gun of the next.

It is also notified that when there is occasion to repeat the Fog Gun Signal at the following Light-stations (at which no interval between signals has hitherto been established) the time between the last gun of one signal and the first gun of the next will be as shown below, on and after the 1st January, 1884.

Name of Light Station. Interval between Signals.

Lamocia Lighthouse. 12 minutes.

Chapel Island. " 10 "

Ookson. " 12 "

Turnabout. " 10 "

Middle dog. " 15 "

West Volcano. " 10 "

Gutzlaff. " 15 "

North Saddle. " 10 "

Shawsan. " 15 "

N.E. Shantung Promontory Lighthouse. 10 "

Chefoo. " 8 "

NOTE.
The Fog Gun Signals for all the LIGHTS at which they have been established are described in the printed List of the Chinese Light-houses, Light-vessels, Buoys and Beacons. This List is published each year with corrections to the 30th November of the preceding year, and may be bought of Messrs. KELLY & WALSH in Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama.

By Order of the Inspector-General of Customs,
A. M. BISBEE, Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs,
Shanghai, 7th December, 1883.

For Sale.

CHRISTMAS 1883.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE RECEIVED AND HAVE NOW ON VIEW A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

CHRISTMAS DELICACIES.

ARTICLES SUITABLE FOR PRESENTS

—AND—
FANCY GOODS.

Comprising—

Real Turtle Soup.
Salmon Omelette.
Ripped Salmon.
Herrings à la Sardines.
Sardines au Citron.

Herrings in White Wine.
Mackerel in White Wine.
French Trout.
Assorted English Pâties.
Pâté de Foie Gras.

Truffled Chicken in Jelly.
French Stewed Lobster.
Assorted French Pâtés.
Asparagus.
Petite Pies.

Champignons.
Pudding and Sultana Raisins.
Pastry for Minicakes.
Christmas Ham.
Christmas Cakes.

Plum Puddings.
Ripe Sifters.
Port du Salut Cheese.
Gruyère Cheese.
Gorgonzola Cheese.

Double Gloucester Cheese.
French Pâté.
Fruits in Noyau and Brandy.
Crystallized Fruits.
Ely's Plums.

Muscadel Raisins.
Barolo and Brazil Nuts.
Best French Confectionery.
Bonbons and Pragues.
Bonbonnières for Christmas Trees.

French Chocolates.
Newest Cakes and Crackers.
French and English Toys.
Mechanical Toys.
Electric Toys.

French and English Dolls.
Out-door Games.
Christmas and New Year Cards.

Hongkong, December 8, 1883.

SAYLE & Co.'s

SHOW-ROOMS.

FOR CHRISTMAS.

LADIES' COMPANIONS.
JEWEL CASES.
FANCY PHOTO FRAMES.
FLUSH BAGS.
FANCY ORNAMENTS.

SCENT CASES.
Large Bottles of the Best EAU DE COLOGNE.
CARVED BRACKETS.
WORK BOXES.
WRITING CASES.

EMBROIDERED DOLLAR & LETTER CASES.
POCKET BOOKS AND PURSES.
CIGAR CASES.
JAPANESE OIL PAINT BOX.
OAK COPYING PRESS.
DOLLS, DRUMS, PUZZLES.

VICTORIA ENGRAVING,
Hongkong, December 20, 1883.

HORSES, DRAWING SLATES.
INDIA RUBBER BALLS.
TRUMPETS, NOAH'S ARKS.
MECHANICAL TOYS.
TRIMMED HATS.
FELT HATS.

SILK HANDKERCHIEFS.
SILK SCARVES.
LAID FICHES.
KID GLOVES.
PLAIN and FANCY HOSIERY.
LADIES' UMBRELLAS.

FUR TIPPERS.
FUR-LINED CLOAKS.
FUR MUFFS.
COLLARS and CUFFS.
NEW FRILLINGS.
&c., &c., &c.

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Intimations.

HONGKONG PUBLIC SCHOOL.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES at the above School will take place at St. Paul's College, on SATURDAY, the 22nd Instant, at 11 a.m. His Excellency the Governor has kindly consented to Preside.

*Contributions of Prizes, or towards the Endowment Fund of the School will be thankfully received.

Hongkong, December 17, 1883.

CYFARFOD CREFYDDOL CYMRAEG.

THE Rev. DAVID D. JONES of the "AMERICAN BOARD" Mission desires to consult with the WELSH RESIDENTS in Hongkong in regard to holding WELSH RELIGIOUS MEETINGS here, when he occasionally visits the Colony.

WELSHMEN will oblige by sending their Names and Addresses to the

Rev. D. D. JONES,
2, Bridge Street, Hongkong.

Hongkong, December 18, 1883.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.
ON and after the 1st October, the PRICE of ICE will be REDUCED to 14 Cents per pound.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, September 18, 1883.

HOP SHING & Co., ENGINEERS, BOILER MAKERS, COPPER SMITHS, BRASS & IRON FOUNDERS, &c., WEST POINT IRON WORKS.

HAVING This Day commenced BUSINESS, are ready to undertake Work of the above Descriptions under the Supervision of an Experienced EUROPEAN.

Orders executed with the utmost despatch and at moderate terms.

24th September, 1883.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself in this Colony as a SHARE and GENERAL BROKER.

HECTOR HAMPSON.
Hongkong, December 10, 1883.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION OF OLD CHINESE PORCELAINS, BRONZES, JADES, &c., &c.

THE Undersigned will offer FOR SALE by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

FRIDAY, the 21st December, 1883, the Sale commencing at 10.30 a.m., pausing at Noon, and resuming at 2 p.m.—

A VERY FINE AND EXTENSIVE COLLECTION OF OLD CHINA WARE, CURIOS, &c.

The same having just arrived in this Colony from the NORTH OF CHINA, being a very careful and valuable collection made in PEKIN and the NORTHERN PROVINCES of CHINA, and comprising—

Old Ming Lacquer, Old Porcelains from the Ming Dynasty, the reigns of the Emperors KANG-HI, YUNG-CHEN and K'UNG-LING in FIVE-COLOURED and BLUE and WHITE VASES, JARS, DISHES, PLATES, BOWLS, PURE BLACK KANG-HI and BLACK and GOLD K'UNG-LING VASES, SANG DE BECK and FINESTONED PORCELAINS.

Old BRONZES, BAMBOO CARVINGS, and a quantity of very fine Jade, Old PEKIN ENAMELS (COLOURED) URNAGE, &c.

And some good specimens of PORCELAINS of more modern manufacture.

Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale, and the above will be on view on Thursday, the 20th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery.

G. R. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 7, 1883.

POSTPONEMENT.

"G. C. TRUFANT."

TO BE SOLD, at MANILA, by PUBLIC AUCTION, without reserve, for account of the concerned,

On a Day to be named hereafter, THE BRITISH SHIP

"G. C. TRUFANT,"

As she now lies at her anchors in Manila Bay.

By the Masters, Messrs. RICHARD SALLA, ANTONIO and CALDERA, and all her other FURNITURE and APPAREL in One Lot.

Conditions of Sale may be had of LLOYD'S AGENTS, Manila.

3rd December, 1883.

To Let.

(With Immediate Possession.)
No. 26B, PRAYA CENTRAL, suitable for OFFICES.

Apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co. Hongkong, December 10, 1883.

GODOWN S-T-O L E T.

PRAYA EAST and VANCHAI ROAD. For Particulars, apply to SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, April 26, 1882.

TO LET.

"BISNEE VILLA" FORPOOLUM, No. 25B, PRAYA CENTRAL.

Apply to DAVID SASSON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, December 17, 1883.

TO LET.

THE PREMISES now occupied by us, No. 11, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. For further Particulars apply to Messrs. ROSS & Co.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, August 1, 1883.

For Sale.

FOR SALE CHEAP.

FIVE Hundred to Six Hundred Tons COKE and COAL TAR, in lots to suit, from one ton upwards.

CHOY CHEW, 320, Praya West.

Hongkong, June 18, 1883.

NOW ON SALE.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT, BY DE E. J. EITEL.

CHOW OCTAVO, P. 1018.

HONGKONG, 1877-1883.

Part I. A-K. ... \$2.50
Part II. K-M. ... \$2.50
Part III. M-T. ... \$3.00
Part IV. T-Y. ... \$3.00

A Reduction of 10 per cent. will be allowed to purchasers of Ten or more copies.

This Standard Work on the Chinese Language, constructed on the basis of Kangxi's Imperial Dictionary, contains all Chinese characters in practical use, and while alphabetically arranged according to the sounds of the oldest dialect of China, the Cantonese, it gives also the Mandarin pronunciation of all characters explained in the book, so that its usefulness is by no means confined to the Cantonese Dialect, but the work is a practically complete Thesaurus of the whole Written Language of China, ancient and modern, as used all over the Empire, whilst its introductory chapters serve the purposes of a philological guide to the student.

A Supplement, arranged for being bound and used by itself, and containing a List of the whole Written Language of China, ancient and modern, will be published and sold separately.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, January 15, 1883.

Shipping.

Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE VIA HOIHOW.

The Co.'s Steamship "Thales," Captain Pocock, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 21st Instant, at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, December 10, 1883.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, MARSEILLES, AND ALSO FOR MEDITERRANEAN PORTS AND LONDON.

TRANSHIPMENT AT MARSEILLES.

The Co.'s Steamship "Tanan," Captain Vaquez, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 21st Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight, apply to I. MARTIN, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, December 10, 1883.

FOR BANGKOK.

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Company's Steamship "Dundee," Captain J. Newby, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 21st Instant, at 8 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to YUEN FAT HONG, Agents.

Hongkong, December 18, 1883.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

The Co.'s Steamship "Albatross," Captain Gordon, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 21st Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, December 10, 1883.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for OILCOO, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship "Kowloon," Captain Warriner, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 21st Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, December 10, 1883.

FOR SWATOW.

The Steamship "Atalanta," Captain E. G. PRATT, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 22nd Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 19, 1883.

UNION LINE.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship "Venice," Captain Anstey, will be despatched for the above Port on or about SATURDAY, the 22nd Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, December 12, 1883.

Mails.



MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
STEAM TO NAGASAKI AND KOBE,
VIA INLAND SEA.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers for YOKO-
HAMA.)

THE S.S. **TAKASHI MARU**, Capt. Nye, due here on or about the 15th instant, will be despatched at 4 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 21st December, at 4 p.m. Cargo received on board and parcels at the Office up to 1 p.m. of day of sailing. No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight.
All Claims must be settled on board before delivery in taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.
Cargo and Passengers for Yokohama will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe.
For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office, Praya Central, Ground Floor of Messrs RUSSELL & CO.

H. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent.

Hongkong, December 12, 1883. 1105



STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, MARSEILLES, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON;
Also,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through bills of Lading for BATAVIA, PELEUS, GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship **KAISER-I-INDIA**, Captain G. STEAD, with Her Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from SINGAPORE on TUESDAY, the 25th December, at 4 p.m.

Cargo will be received on board until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing. Silk and Valuable for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than the ordinary direct route via Colombo.

For further Particulars, regarding FREIGHT AND PASSAGE, apply to the PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Carriage and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

N.B.—This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for MARSEILLES.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, SYRIAN PORTS, NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA; ALSO, PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON TUESDAY, the 1st January, 1884, at Noon, the Company's S.S. **YANGTSE**, Commandant Scott, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above place.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon of 31st December, 1883.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 5 p.m. on the 31st December, 1883. Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.
Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

I. MARTIN,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, December 19, 1883. 1171

Insurances.

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Risks on First Class Goods at 3 per cent. net premium per annum.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 19, 1881. 938

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, A.D. 1720.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—
Marine Department.
Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.
Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872. 406

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to insure against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are for Letters per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, triple, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except book-fid Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though written by hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.
The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers for Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, all foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritania, all N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil, Peru, Chili, Venezuela, The Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guiana, Honduras, Bermuda, Labuan, Hawaii, with all Danish, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Australian Group, and S. Africa.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, 10 cents per 1/2 oz.
Post Cards, 5 cents each.
Registration, 10 cents.
Newspapers, 2 cents each.
Books, Patterns and 2 cents each.
Comm. Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge for redrafted correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2; Comm. Papers, 2; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.

Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, Ascension, Bolivia, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 5; Books and Patterns, 5.

LOCAL POSTAGE.

General Local Rates for Hongkong, Japan, China, India, Siam, and the Philippines.
(a) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 2 cents.
(b) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 2 cents.
(c) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 2 cents.

(d) Via Singapore, 10 cents.
(e) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 2 cents.

(f) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 2 cents.

(g) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 2 cents.

(h) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 2 cents.

(i) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 2 cents.

(j) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 2 cents.

(k) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 2 cents.

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(r) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 2 cents.

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Gaon Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Gaon Island to the Gas Works.

2. From Gas Works to the P. and O. Co.'s Factory.

3. From P. and O. Co.'s Factory to the Harbour Master's Office.

4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to the Naval Yard.

6. From Naval Yard to the Pier.

7. From Pier to East Point.

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